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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

2008 Annual Meeting of Morgan Cr. Water District 72F February 20, 2008



The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Hawkins at the Pat & Jerry Hawkins home, on February 20th. Those present were Pat & Jerry Hawkins, Nyle & Ann Thornock, Jim & Tina Hawkins, Lyle Hutchison, Clay Jones, and Ryan Hughes.

The minutes of our last meeting were read by Sec./Tres. Tina Hawkins. Nyle moved they be approved as read, Jerry seconded and the motion passed. The 2008 Treasurers Report was then given by Tina. The Jan 1, 2008 bank balance is \$1,766.78. The Workmens Compensation bill has been received and paid in the amount of \$260.00. Jerry moved this report be approved as given, Pat seconded and the motion passed.

Jerry Hawkins reported that his inquiries about getting the final fish screens, and head gates installed on the diversions in Morgan Cr. had gotten no response. There is still a "catch 22" in the permitting process. Jim reported that in talking with Bob Kenworthy of the USFS, the process is now at the mercy of NOAH, as the USFS has signed off and it is OK with them to proceed. Clay Jones was encouraged to check on the status of his work permits, and re-submit them if necessary. A fish screen/head gate still needs to be put in on the Corral Cr. diversion that Frank Wiley and Clay Jones share. The materials, screen and crew are available, if permission to proceed can be obtained from Mr. Wiley. The culvert that carries this water under the Morgan Cr. road is partially crushed and needs to be replaced. The USFS maintains the road along this section. It was suggested that Norm Doll of the USFS road crew be contacted about this problem.

Chairman Jim explained for the new members present, that the Morgan Cr. Water Dist. has sent prior requests to the IDWR for permission to expand our district to include some of the Salmon River water rights currently diverted. We have received no answer to our requests. After consulting with Gary Chamberlain, IDWR Advisory Council member, as to "why" we were not getting any response, it was decided to go ahead and invite these irrigators to join us. We all welcomed Lyle & Colleen Hutchison, George Santee, Claire Casey, and the additional river water rights of current members Nyle Thornock, and Delbert Hughes. We have not heard from the Dunfee Family concerning their water rights, but understand that this property has been sold and the new owners will be in touch once the deal closes. Jim also relayed the information he received from Tim Luke at the USRWD annual meeting, that as long as Director Tutthill was in office, there would be no additional charges to any irrigators that are currently in an active water district and have the services of a water master. When we submit our "Adopted 2008 WD 72F Budget" it will reflect the additional names, and water rights of our new members.

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